



## U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service

# Erie

## National Wildlife Refuge 2016-2017 Small Game & Migratory Bird Hunting Regulations and Permit

### Open to Hunting

|  | AREA A  | AREA B                    | AREA C | AREA D | AREA E | AREA F | AREA G |
|--|---|---------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| SMALL GAME   |   |                           |        |        |        |        |        |
| Ruffed Grouse & Squirrels<br>Cottontail Rabbit<br>Pheasant                   | yes   | yes –<br>last season only | yes    | yes    | yes    | yes    | yes    |
| Woodchuck<br>Quail<br>Skunk, Opossum, & Coyote                               | yes   | no                        | yes    | yes    | yes    | yes    | yes    |
| Raccoon & Fox (Night Hunting)  | Night hunting requires a special use permit. Call 814/789 3585. |                           |        |        |        |        |        |
| MIGRATORY BIRDS  |   |                           |        |        |        |        |        |
| Mourning Dove & Rails<br>Common Snipe<br>Canada Goose, Ducks, & Coot<br>Crow | yes   | no                        | no     | no     | yes    | no     | no     |

### We allow hunting on the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

- Hunters must possess a signed Erie NWR Refuge Hunt Permit on their person while hunting on the refuge.
- Hunting is permitted on the refuge only from September 1 through the end of February, and for spring gobbler season. Scouting is permitted for those same dates, and for the seven days prior to the start of spring gobbler season.
- Spotlighting (casting a ray of light for the purpose of spotting or locating wildlife) is not permitted on national wildlife refuges.
- Species not listed on this and the big game tear sheet may not be hunted.
- Hunters must remove blinds, platforms, scaffolds, tree stands, and decoys from the refuge within one hour after hunting hours\*\*
- **The use and possession of toxic shot is prohibited for shotgun hunting for all species except deer and turkey.**
- With a Refuge Special Use Permit, a wounded bear legally shot off of the refuge may be tracked through the refuge for retrieval. When needed, bear hunters must call for the Special Use Permit at 814/789 2471.
- We allow non-motorized watercraft use for waterfowl hunting. All other watercraft use is prohibited. Watercraft must be removed from the refuge within one hour after hunting hours\*\*. To prevent the spread of invasive species such as zebra mussels, it is encouraged that all watercraft be washed thoroughly prior to use on the refuge.
- Vehicle travel is allowed on designated roads and parking areas only. Vehicles cannot block access gates.
- Field possession of migratory game birds is prohibited in areas of the refuge closed to migratory game bird hunting.
- The use or possession of alcohol while hunting is prohibited.
- Dogs may be used for hunting, but must be under the immediate control of the hunter at all times.
- Report all injuries and accidents to the Refuge Headquarters, 11296 Wood Duck Lane, Guys Mills, PA 16327-9499 or phone 814/789 3585.

\*\* Hunting Hours for each week are defined in the *Pennsylvania Hunting & Trapping Digest*.

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### Erie National Wildlife Refuge Small Game/Migratory Bird Hunt Permit

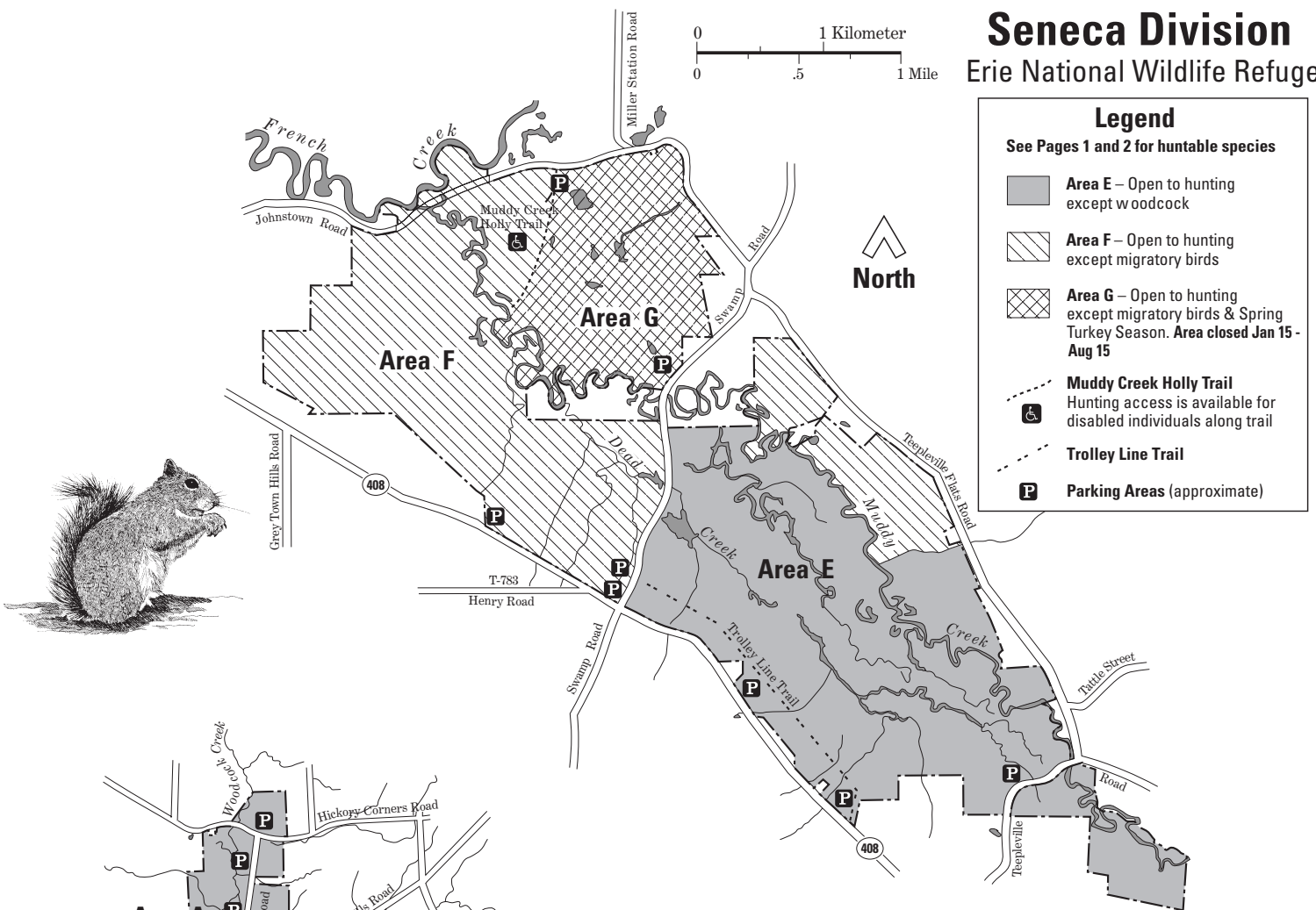
When signed and in your possession, this permit allows you to hunt on Erie NWR for the 2016-2017 season. Your signature acknowledges your understanding of the regulations for hunting on Erie NWR.

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Signature of Hunter

***Permits are required for all hunters.***  
*Permits are not transferable.*  
*Expires: May 31, 2017*

# Seneca Division

## Erie National Wildlife Refuge



# Sugar Lake Division

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